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Dockets Management Branch  
The Food and Drug Administration  
Department of Health and Human Services, Rm. 1-23  
12420 Parklawn Dr.  
Rockville, MD 20857

**Re: Docket Number: 99P-1340/CP 1**  
**Petition the FDA Have Calvin Klein's *Eternity* eau de**  
***parfum* declared "misbranded"**

Dear Sir or Madam:

In May 1999, the Environmental Health Network (EHN) submitted the above petition to have Calvin Klein's "Eternity eau de parfum" declared misbranded. I am writing because I fully support this petition and request that the FDA give it careful attention with regard to your regulations 21 CFR Sec. 740.1, 21 CFR Sec. 740.2, and 21CFR Sec. 740.10. Regulation 21CFR Sec. 740.10 refers to the inclusion of ingredients in cosmetic products needing to be evaluated for safety before marketing. If it is not substantiated, then the product is misbranded unless it gives a warning label.

As the petition shows, "Eternity" contains both toxic ingredients and those that have not been substantiated and there is no warning on its packaging.

When I am exposed to "Eternity" I become nauseous, dizzy, break into a sweat, run a fever and my lymph glands swell up. This has happened on more than one occasion with "Eternity" being worn by men on subway cars. I have had to get off the train immediately when exposed to someone wearing this cologne. It makes me vomit.. I have been with children who started to cough in the presence of this same cologne. It obviously has toxic substances in it.

We have a right to know the status of safety testing of "Eternity" as well as aerosol sprays used as room fresheners and dis-infectants. Like tobacco smoke, the chemicals used in these products may affect the health of many people; not only those with asthma and other respiratory diseases but healthy people as well who follow a healthy lifestyle but are injured from fragrance exposure at work, school, and in social settings.

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I ask you, to act on behalf of the millions of people who have suffered physical illness and injury resulting from fragrance exposure in various settings. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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